IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application: Ferri et al. Group Art Unit: 2134

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Serial No.: 10/718,064 Examiner: Tran, Ellen C.

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For: Method for Authenticating Customer No. 50170

Digitally Encoded Products Without

Private Key Sharing

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

In response to the Office Action dated May 29, 2007, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.